SOUTHERN STATES.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 1909. Rain to-day; fair and colder to-morrow; trisk to moderately high southwest to northwest winds.

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HE ANGERS CONGRESS AGAIN

HOUSE RESENTS A ROOSEVELT taking the appointments being made under the spoils system. Every man competent VETO MESSAGE.

stembers Indignant Because of Sneers was to produce extravagance and demoral- Texas. Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi at "Professional Politicians" Found in His Communication in the Census Bul-Efforts to Pass It Anyway.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5 .- President Rooseealt's expected message returning with- examination from the lists provided by the out his approval the bill to provide for taking the thirteenth and subsequent not only vicious but is in effect a fraud upon decennial censuses was read in the House the public. No essential change is effected of Representatives to-day at the close by providing that it be conducted by the of an unusually long session No action that the employees shall be selected without was taken on the message, which re- regard to political party affiliations is empty mains upon the Speaker's table subject and misleading unless at the same time it is to call. This was a radical departure is possible to make it effective, that is by from the ordinary course pursued with providing that the examination shall be respect of these messages, which is to made competitive. refer them to the committee in which made that the census printing work may the rejected measure originated. For be done outside the Government Printing the present, however, Mr. Crumpacker of Indiana, chairman of the Census Committee, contented himself with asking fashion to these outside offices.

Outside of these matters I believe that for a reprint of the census bill as it went to the President.

The message was delivered to the legislation on the subject. But it is of vital House at an early hour in the session, consequence that we should not once again but the House had begun consideration undertaking on behalf of the whole people of the bulls on private calendar under a to be marred by permitting it to be turned special order, and not until that order into an engine to further the self-interest was exhausted was the message read. It was 5:30 o'clock, half an hour after the usual time of adjournment, but many members remained to hear. Only once of professional politicians are was there any demonstration of feeling, evident in the case of a great public work and that was when the President said he did not believe that to the victor beonged the spoils, still less that they should be divided without a big fight on both sides. These words were received with erisive laughter. The several allusions o "professional politicians," among whom he President classed the great majority f the members of Congress, aroused feen resentment. One member, a Remblican, who has been an active and rdent supporter of the President, said:

"If a member of the House had spoken such terms of the President in the resent sensitive temper of the body is remarks would have been expunged from the Record, for they are billingsgate. I voted to place the appointment of clerks under the Civil Service Commission. at I guess I'll have to vote to pass the "So will I," interjected a Democrat

standing by. "I was in favor of the civil ervice provision, but it is a trifling matter RUINOUS FLOODS IN GERMANY. ompared with the importance of providng for taking the census, and if the Pro 1- Many People Drawned: Great Property ient sees fit to hold up the great work for such a reason I will not support him."

Leaders of the House are canvassing ne situation to ascertain if possible whether or not a two-thirds vote can be ecured to pass the bill over the veto. At one of the reasons why no action was spell of frost and snow Many persons privileges which it might lose by being damage. eferred to a committee

arge degree certainly will be affected washed away and railways have been rice fields. nessage. Unless it can be satisfactorily directions. Several villages in Saxony there are doubtless a sufficient number lake. of Representatives to defeat a motion to rass the bill over the veto who will refuse a number of factories flooded. The low to pop up their heads to meet a blow from the "big stick." For notwithstanding the short time which must elapse before that weapon will lose its power there is yet sufficient force in the Roosevelt fetish enormously. A thousand head of cattle to influence the actions and votes of many members of Congress.

As to the probable action of the Senate. ministration Senator had notified Senator ported almost everywhere and they Hale that if an attempt were made to pass the bill over the veto in the Senate high toon of March 4 would arrive before a at Wolfrathausen, making an iceberglike oue could be had. The message follows:

THE MESSAGE. to the House of Representatives:

I herewith return, without approval, H. 16,854, entitled "An act to provide for the hirteenth and subsequent decennial censes." I do this with extreme reluctance, because I fully realize the importance of oplying the Director of the Census at as ariy a date as possible with the force necesto the carrying on of his work. But it of high consequence to the country that statistical work of the census shall be appropriate from the standpoint of business d industry as from the scientific standis, therefore, in my judgment, sential that the result should not be open the suspicion of bias on political and arsonal grounds, that it should not be the reasonable suspicion of being waste of the people's money and a fraud. Section 7 of the act provides in effect that promitments to the census shall be under e spoils system, for this is the real means of the provision that they shall be bject only to non-competitive examina-The proviso is added that they shall e selected without regard to political party affiliations. But there is only one way to t regard to politics and on merit, and that choosing them after competitive exmination from the lists of eligibles provided out this question in German to the group. the Civil Service Commission. The resent Director of the Census in his last "Why did you come to this country? eport states the exact fact about these non-

The response was in laughing chorus: empetitive examinations when he says. non-competitive examination means at every one of the many thousands who pass the examinations will have an equal to Oregon, where some of them have icht to appointment and that personal sweethearts waiting for them. political pressure must in the end, as actor with regard to the great body of MR. TRIANTIPHYLLIDES SUES. hese temporary employments. I cannot co earnestly urge that the Director of the Plaintiff's Name a Puzzler to Justice ensus be relieved from this unfortunate

To provide that the clerks and other engloyees shall be appointed after nonompatitive examination, and yet to prohat they shall be selected without egant to political party affiliations, means hat the appointments shall be against Joline, receiver."

The decorous court room resounded with the outburst of laughter from the assembled lawyers, who turned quickly to their calendar slips. There they read: "Demetrius Triantiphyllides and ano. vs. Adrian H. Joline, &c. Receivers."

The case was an appeal by the New York as the perquisites of the politicians parties instead of as the pers of the politicians of one party. believe in the doctrine that to the belong the spoils, but I think ever the doctrine that the spoils shall ded without a fight by the profes oliticians on both sides, and this be the result of permitting the bill sent shape to become a law. Both

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of the last censuses, the eleventh and the MANY KILLED BY TORNADO twelfth, were taken under a provision of law excluding competition, that is, necessi-

also recommend that if provision is

Office it shall be explicitly provided that

the Government authorities shall see that

the eight hour law is applied in effective

the bill is on the whole satisfactory and

permit the usefulness of this great decennial

of that small section of the people which

of the custom of treating appointments

counting Her Entire War Debt.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

the Porte will reply to Russia's proposal

Turco-Bulgarian dispute by a counter

mediate liquidation of the whole war

Loss: Villages Isolated.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

Germany, especially in the south and

quite unusual magnitude in consequence

Many dams have been broken

were drowned in the Nordhausen district

The Pegnitz River has risen twelve

carry with them huge ice floes. An

immense mass of floss became jammed

number of deaths already exceeds fifty.

COME HERE TO MARRY.

Tell Their Purpose.

wooden shoes and went out to Oregon

and married the owner of a sheep ranch,

well fitting shoes with high heels and a

More than three hundred other young

German women and girls were with her

in the steerage, and when a photographer

had them all grouped on the forward

deck to snapshot them pretty Mrs.

Frieda, who had told everybody about

her great luck in America, was asked to

all the members of which were single

Most of the young women are going

Ingraham.

in the Appellate Division of the Supreme

Court acting Presiding Justice Ingraham

came to a case which caused him to look

closely at the title through his glasses.

City Railway receivers from an injunction obtained by the proprietors of a hotel at 155th street and Eighth avenue prohibit-

ing the receivers from stalling cars front of the hotel premises.

HAAN'S RESTAURANT, Park Row Bidg.

While calling the calendar yesterday

modern American made hat.

"To marry!"

Finally he announced:

Mrs. Frieda Walberg, who landed at this

prisoned in the upper stories

to escape.

BERLIN. Feb. 5 .-- Immense grees of

pounds Turkish, or \$1,575,000

a receipt for the entire liability.

This will include provision for the im-

proposition

LONDON, Feb. 6.-The Constantinople

The evil effects of the spoils system and

makes a profession of politics

STORMS SWEEP OVER FIVE to speak with authority because of his knowledge of and familiarity with the work of those censues has stated that the resul

and Alabama Feel Fatal Force of In view of the temporary character of the Heavy Wind-Hopses, Cotton Gins, work it would be well to waive the require-ments of the civil service law as regards Barns and Telegraph Wires Levelled. geographical apportionment, but the NEW OBLEANS. Feb. 5 .- Eleven persons pointees should be chosen by competitive were killed and probably a score or more Civil Service Commission. The non-com-

sippi to-day. The killed and injured are all negroes. The greatest loss of life occurred at made effective in the only way in which it

county, Miss., where five negroes were commanding officer of the battleship instantly killed, and at Booth, a small hamlet in Issaquena county, Miss., where six negroes met death.

The little town of Booth is reported to have been blown off the map, every house in the place being wrecked. All of the wires in that vicinity were

put out of use by the tornado. The tornado struck the negro section represents an improvement upon previous

barns and outhouses. Several cotton gins in the vicinity of Rolling Fork were The tornado struck the northwestern part of Louisiana and left a path of ruin across the State to the Mississippi River, where it crossed into Mississippi. The

to the public service as personal perquisites tornado passed through a sparsely settled part of north Louisiana and the damage done in that part of the State was mainly like the taking of the census, a work which should emphatically be done for the whole confined to timber, fences, &c. people and with an eye single to their interest. THEODORE ROOSEVELT. The most serious damage in Louisiana occurred at Bosco, Millhaven and Brittle Ridge, where a score or more of houses TO PAY RUSSIA IN FULL. were demolished and several negroes

seriously injured. Turkey Has a Counter Proposal for Dis-BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Feb. 5.- Reports coming into this city to-night from many sources indicate that probably as many as a dozen lives were snuffed out in the correspondent of the Times hears that vicinity of Cullman, Ala., this afternoon by the storm which swept over the State. in regard to a financial settlement of the Wire communication has been cut off with the region which suffered the greatest damage, but enough has been received to show that the storm was one of the most disastrous in the history of this

indemnity due to Russia by Turkey, based part of the State. apparently on a calculation of the present Mayor George Brier of Cullman has value of an annual payment of 350,000 wired to Birmingham that seven people have been killed. It is believed that this On this basis Russia would give Turkey list will be increased. It is known from other sources that a number of others have been seriously injured and that the property loss has been great.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Feb. 5 .- Two persons were killed and a third fatally in- Roads to-morrow. jured by a tornado which visited Stuttgart to-day. The dead are Mrs. Henry Garfield and a child of William Shorey. southeast, are suffering from floods of Mrs. William Shorey was fatally hurt. The tornado carried away one residence resent the question is in doubt, which is of a sudden thaw which followed a long and five barns besides inflicting great damage on property in the surrounding aken on the message to-day. In its have been drowned at various places country. The residence which was deresent status the document has some and there has been enormous property stroyed was that of Will Shorey. His wife and child were crushed by falling Numbers of bridges on the Rhine and timbers. The child was killed outright. Action by the House may and to a Danube and their tributaries have been Extensive damage has been done to the

Dallas, Tex., Feb. 5.-Mrs. James in the Senate as well as in the House of the valley of the Lahn has become a to-day. The financial loss at that place tation with the engineers. will reach \$50,000. Eight dwellings were wrecked. A dozen frame houses were blown down at Ennis and many horses lying parts of many towns are several and mules were killed. The property loss The owners of live stock have lost Clark, P. Houx, R. A. McMillan, William Lewis, Edward Norry and G. H. Eubanks. The storm extended into the Panhandle country as far as Wichita Falls.

St. Louis, Feb. 5.-The damage at Musthe only line that could be located to- feet at Nuremberg and the streets are kogee. Okla., by the tornado this mornnight was the report that a leading Ad- covered with water. Floods are re- ing amounts to about \$5,000 besides the loss caused by putting factories out of business by wrecking the electric light plant. A one story house was lifted off its foundation. The storm travelled from dam, which the soldiers are blasting with southeast to northwest.

dynamite in order to allow the water WASHINGTON, Feb. 5 .- Southwest storm warnings are ordered displayed at sunrise The poor are suffering greatly. The to-morrow from Baltimore to New York. The storm is over lower Michigan, moving northeast, with increasing southwest winds, becoming higher and shifting to west and northwest. Young Women From Germany Ready to

CANADIAN DUTY ON IDEAS. port from Germany five years ago wearing Plans for a Filtration Plant for Toronto Seized by Custom House Officers.

TORONTO, Feb. 5 .- W. E. Fuller of Hazen was a steerage passenger by the Ham-& Fuller engineers of New York, atburg-American liner Graf Waldersee, in tempted this morning, it is alleged, to yesterday from Hamburg. It was not smuggle into Canada plans which because she could not afford to go in the cabin, but because she has not got tion plant. The plans are said to be worth great banquet will be or. Friday night. over her thrifty disposition. She was \$20,000 and are subject to a duty of 25 dressed becomingly and wore this time per cent. or \$5,000.

Mr. Fuller was on his way to Toronto on the Michigan Central train which reached Bridgeburg at 5:13 o'clock this morning. The plans were done up in two small parcels. Customs officers on this side went through the car and searching in the berth occupied by Fuller found two parcels tucked in close to the wall.

Mr. Fuller claimed them. He said they were worth \$5. He admitted, however that they were plans for a filtration plant which would cost the city of Toronto \$800,000 and his firm was to get 21/2 per cent, of this, or \$20,000, for making the plans.

This is the value that the customs department puts on the plans. They were seized and sent on to the customs office here through the Dominion Express Company to await the decision of the department at Ottawa. Mayor Oliver went to Ottawa to-day to arrange for their release.

shot for Throwing Snowballs.

While a number of boys were snow balling passers yesterday at 216th street A gentleman with a very long name and Willet avenue. The Bronx, Frank Stockenberg came along driving a de-livery wagon. The boys pelted him with livery wagon. The boys pelted him with snowballs for a block or so, when he drew a revolver from beneath the wagon seat and fired a shot at them. The bullet hit Edward Beuhler, 12 years old, of 3750 Willet avenue a glancing blow on the forehead, but did not make a serious

wound.
Stockenberg drove to the nearest police station and gave himself up. He lives at 4:0 East 153d street.

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Captain's Sentence Forwarded to Wash ington-May Be Dismissal,

Special Cable Despatch to TRE SUN GIBRALTAR, Feb. 5.-Rear Admiral Sperry approved the findings of the courtmartial which tried Capt. Qualtrough of the battleship Georgia on charges of intoxication at 8 o'clock this evening.

The Admiral immediately notified the Navy Department of the findings, but refused to give out the result of the trial here.

It is known, however, that the report were injured by a tornado which swept that Capt. Qualtrough has been acquitted across the States of Louisiana and Missis- is untrue, and it is believed that the decision is of the gravest import to the accused officer WASHINGTON, Feb. 5 .- No report has

been received at the Navy Department in Rolling Fork, the county seat of Sharkey the case of Capt Edward F Qualtrough, Georgia, who was tried by court-martial several days ago on charges of intoxication and conduct unbecoming an officer. From private despatches, however, it is learned that Rear Admiral Sperry, commanding the feet, has approved the verdict of the court and has forwarded the findings to the Navy Department.

While no definite report has been received, it is generally believed here that Capt. Qualtrough has been convicted. as of Rolling Fork and destroyed seven What punishment has been given by the cottages, a schoolhouse and a number of court cannot be learned, but it will probably be very severe in view of the fact that the alleged offences took place at a public reception in a foreign port while distance electric railroads. on official duty. The fact that the finding has been forwarded to Washington by Admiral Sperry tends to indicate that Capt. Qualtrough has been sentenced to dismissal from the service.

If a sentence of dismissal has been imposed it will have to be approved by indestructible. President Roosevelt before it can be carried into effect. If the sentence is suspension from duty or a reduction in numbers Rear Admiral Sperry would It has the combined properties of amber, be the reviewing authority and could celluloid or hard rubber. Dr. Baekeland approve and publish the result of the court-martial without reporting his action to Washington.

If the sentence consists only of a loss duty as soon as the sentence has been on his achievement. approved by Admiral Sperry. In the case of dismissal, however, he will re- to be the most serious rival of Japanese crowd shouted a warning, but the noise main on board the ship under arrest lacquer work, which hitherto has been of the motor drowned their cries. Wright, until the sentence is approved by the exclusively a Japanese product, so that President and executed by the Secretary it has been known as japanned ware of the Navy.

Last Les of Great Cruise Round the World to End at Hampton Roads.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. GIERALTAR, Feb. 5.-The American battleship fleet will sail for Hampton

TO FORTIFY THE CANAL. Mr. Taft Preparing Himself to Meet Army Experts-Return Plans.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.
PANAMA, Feb. 5.-Mr. Tait is studying plans for the fortification of the canal and it has been decided that representatives of the War Department shall come here soon to make a final revision of the plans. Mr. Taft will discuss these plans with the army officers after they return to Washington, Mr. Taft drove to Empire Ardis and Mrs. C. Caldwell were killed by Hill to-day to get a nine mile view of the shown that the veto will be overridden were isolated for hours and a large part the tornado which hit Sulphur Springs Culebra cut and afterward had a consul-

To-night there was a state ball in Panama in honor of Mr. Taft.

Mr. Taft opened the state ball by dancing a quadrille with Mrs. Obaldia, the feet under water and the people are im- in Ellis county is estimated at \$30,000. wife of the President, Mrs. Obaldia is The heaviest losers are C. H. Jeffers, J. A. a lady of very small stature compared with the President-elect and she reached to his elbow. President Obaldia took Mrs. Taft for his partner

Mr. Taft enjoyed himself hugely and danced until after midnight.

The ballroom presented a gay It was filled with beautiful Spanish-American women and was handsomely decorated with tropical flowers NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 5 .- A cablegram

from Judge Taft received this afternoon by the Progressive Union here announces that he will arrive in New Orleans nex Thursday afternoon with Mrs. Taft, Col. Goethals, seven consulting engineers, eight newspaper men and two secret service men. Mr. Taft requested that sleeping car accommodations be reserved for him for Cincinnati on Saturday morning. February 13, and also a stateroom for Mrs. Taft for Washington. A delegation of citizens and officials will go down the river to Chalmette to meet the Tast party on board the cruiser Birmingham. A great parade will escort Mr. Taft from the river to the city hall where Mayor Behrman and Gov. Sanders his will deliver speeches of welcome. Mr. firm had prepared for the Toronto filtra- Taft will reply in a short speech. The

A NEW TRUST-STATE COMBINE Kansas and the Harvester Co. Follow Ou Trust.Missouri Example.

TOPERA. Feb. 5 .- Following the lead souri, the International Harvester Company will take Kansas in as a partner in its business in Kansas. The company has agreed with the Attorney-General and the Supreme Court that in addition to the fire of \$60,000 and the limited ouster business in Kansas and the regulation of its prices by the Supreme Court or a public utilities commission.

The company is prohibited from making exclusive contracts with its agents, it is prohibited from discriminating against certain agents or purchasers of machines, it must pay the fine of \$80,000 and if the court or utilities commission finds in the future that the company is charging too much for its machines or its arranging restrictions then the court charging too much for the machines or is arranging restrictions then the court or the commission may make such orders as are necessary to bring about more equitable prices or conditions for handling the company's businesss in Kansas

Bill Authorizing Purchase of Lincol Relics.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5 .- A bill was re corted by the Committee on Public Buildings to-day authorizing the purchase of the Oldroyd collection of Lincoln relics in Washington. The sum of \$150.00 is appropriated for the purpose. The Oldroyd collection is housed in the building in which Lincoln died, immediately opposite the old Ford Theatre, in which Lincoln was assassinated by John Wilkes

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QUALTROUGH NOT ACQUITTED. CLAIMS MUCH FOR INVENTION

DR. BAEKELAND TELLS CHEM-ISTS ABOUT BAKELITE.

Transmission Other Possible Uses. A new chemical substance which its

distance high speed electric railways in this country was told of last right at the meeting of the American Chemical Society in the Chemists Club, at 108 West Fifty-fifth street. The substance goes under the scientific name of oxybenzylmethylenglycol-anhydride, and to save time is called Bakelite after its inventor. Dr. Backeland said that the New York Central engineers were going to start experiments with the new substance and paintings of the late Robert Leighton be on electric locomotives, where it would and had probably been stolen. Detective be combined with graphite and used a self-lubricating longlived bearing. Dr. Backeland said that Bakelite would

The new substance will also, its inventor says, alter the history of the woodworking industry. It produces a hard polished surface, being very similar to Japanese lacquer ware. It can be forced into ordinary soft wood, making it nearly

Dr. Backeland only described the substance as being obtained by synthesis from the properties contained in coal tar. was cheered for several minutes by the society when he had finished his address.

During the discussion that followed Dr. Jokichi Takamine, president of the barked together. of numbers Capt. Qualtrough can be Nippon Club, who is also interested in released from arrest and restored to chemicals, complimented Dr. Backeland

all over the world, still Japan will take Neither of the aeronauts was hurt. off its hat to Dr. Backeland and welcome FLEET SAILS FOR HOME TO-D.AY. Bakelite as a new discovery of vast

"I say this because the Japanese believe in the spirit of fair play. Unfortunwith that spirit in this country, as the recent legislation in California and Nevada eems to show. I do not think that that is fair play." When Dr. Takamine sat down Dr.

Maximillian Tock, a well known chemist, said that he would like to try and show Dr. Takamine that the majority of Americans have nothing but the kindliest feeling for the Japanese and respect for what they have accomplished. He anti-Japanese attitude, still he wanted him to know that the other 78,000,000 of people of the United States had nothing burn had charged gross frauds and where but friendship for Dr. Takamine's counhe expected to make large gains. Instead. Takemine thanked

CHICAGO TO STAY WET.

Prohibitionists Get Fewer Than Half Enough Petitioners for an Election. CHICAGO, Feb. 5 .- Chicago will be a

"wet" town for another year at least. The movement by the "drys" to have the people vote at the April election on the down. They started out to obtain the pear in public. necessary 100,000 petitioners to place the question on the ballot, but got fewer than 50 000

The failure of the movement was reported last evening at a meeting of the no license committee in the First Methodist Church, which was attended by thirtyfive persons. To-day is the last day for filing local option petitions, and it been planned to gather in the petitions at the meeting and prepare them for presentation to the election committee.

The workers brought in the petitions, but was apparent that they were far short of the required number of signers. Chairman John H. Hill declined to make any estimate of the total. The committee decided to make another effort next year.

CLOSE VOTE ON PROHIBITION.

Only Four Votes Lacking in Texas House to Submit Amendment.

AUSTIN, Tex., Feb. 5 .- The House today refused by a vote of 85 aves to 45 noes to submit the proposed constituwide prohibition to a vote of the people. Four votes were lacking owing to absentees to make up the necessary two-

week. it will submit to the public control of its to-day on the compulsory educational North Dakota, Delaware, Utah and The race question was injected into the discussion by an amendment which was offered exempting negro children from the bill. It was asserted by the ad-

are ruined by education. The amendment was defeated, 83 to 23. JOHN D'S GIFT SECURED. Final Donation of \$500 Assures Harper

Memorial Library of \$600,000. CHICAGO, Feb. 5 .- A \$500 contribution made by Clayton Marks to-day, completed the \$200,000 fund for the Harper Memorial Library, in consideration of which John D. Rockefeller agreed to give \$600,000. Several days ago a gift of \$2,000 by Mrs. Emmons Blaine almost made the fund large enough to assure Mr. Rocke-

Formal announcement of the completion of the fund is to be made to-morrow by the university. The new \$800,000 library, which is to be in memory of the late President William Rainey Harper, is to be built on the south part of the main ampus, facing on the midway.

TOUR TO SEE WASHINGTON Only \$12.00 or \$14.50 covers precessary expe for three days. Leaves Thursday, Februar via Prinsylvania Railroad.—Adv.

BATTLESHIPS TO THE PACIFIC. Four to Sall as Soon as the Fleet Reacher Hampton Roads.

VALLEJO, Cal., Feb. 5 .- News has been received at Mare Island navy yard that as soon as the Atlantic battleship fleet its Full Name Is Oxybenzyl-Methylengly- reaches Hampton Roads the battleships cel-Anhydride and its inventor Thinks Montana, Mississippi, Idaho and New It Will Solve Problems of Electrical Hampshire will sail for the Pacific. Several other battleships are also sched-

uled to start for the Pacific Coast soon. It is said that this change of plan is inventor, Dr. L. E. Backeland, says will the result of the pressure of business revolutionize the development of long interests in the West for a more representative fleet in the Pacific.

LENOX PAINTING GONE. Stelen From Its Place in the Stuart

finitery of the Library. Wilberforce Eames, librarian of the

Lenox Library, reported to the police last night that the painting and Child," by Antoine Emile Piassan. the French artist, which was presented to the library with the collection of books to find out just how valuable it would Stuart, the sugar refiner, had disappeared Williams was sent out from Police Headquarters to investigate.

The painting, which was valued at about \$100 and was on a wooden panel reduce loss through defective insulation 9 by 7 inches, hung in the Stuart gal to a minimum and make practicable long lery. One of the employees of the reading room yesterday forenoon noticed the blank space where the painting had been hanging and told the librarian. It is supposed to have been taken in the course of the forenoon. The detective got no clue

WRIGHT'S RUDDER BREAKS. He Brings Himself, Companion and Aeroplane to Earth Without Damage.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. PAU, Feb. 5 .-- While Wilbur Wright was instructing Paul Tissandier in aeroplane work to-day the experiments were brought to a sudden halt by an accident to the aeroplane on which they had em-

Wright was controlling the machine. but in consequence of some fault with "Although this substance may prove as they ascended and it hung loose. The however, soon found that there was something wrong and descended abruptly.

Two Wright machines manufactured in France are to be sent to Monaco to compete in a contest there. Michael Clemenceau, son of the Prime Minister. who is an engineer employed by the manuately we have not always been treated facturers, is to conduct one and Count for Indian, Mongolian, Chinese or Jap-Lambert the other.

HEPBURN DROPS CONTEST. lows Congressman Loses Instead of Gaining Votes by Recount,

CENTERVILLE, la., Feb. 5 .- Congress man Hepburn's contest against the election of Jamieson as Congressman from the district Hepburn has so long represented, practically came to anend at noon added that although 2,000,000 of people to-day, the recount of the votes being on the Pacific Coast had assumed a strong abandoned by the attorneys for Hepburn.

This action was the result of the recount in Appanoose county. where Hepwhen the eight precincts were recounted. Col. Hepburn had a loss of twenty-four votes instead of a gain.

WATTERSON'S BEREAVEMENT. Death of Children Decides Editor Never

to Appear in Public Again. TAMPA, Fla., Feb. 5.-In a letter de clining to take part in the banquet here to William Jennings Bryan Henry Watterson, question of excluding saloons from the editor of the Louisville Courier-Journal, city under the local option law has fallen declared that he would never again ap-

> The death of a dearly loved daughter. followed by the appalling tragedy which took from me a son who was the very apple of my eye, leaves me stranded and helpand wholly unequal to any kind of a publicity. Before I left home I cancelled all of my speaking dates and resolved never again to appear before any audience," was a part of the personal letter which Mr. Watterson addressed to President Brown of the State fair.

Mr. Watterson was to have been one of the principal speakers at the Bryan banquet and when his letter was read many heads were bowed in sympathy. Mr. Bryan was visibly affected by the letter and made a touching reference to the incident in his speech.

Mr. Watterson is now at his winter home at Naples on the Gulf near Fort Myers,

Navy Department Will Use It for Experimental Purposes. WASHINGTON, Feb. 5 .- The construc-

the gun foundry of the Washington Navy Yard. It will be the first 14 inch gun built by the Navy Department and will thirds to carry the proposition. The be used for experimental purposes. While of the Standard Oil Company in Mis- submissionists have enough votes to the tendency in foreign navies is toward reconsider and bring the measure before the use of more powerful guns, American the House whenever they see fit, and this ordnance experts take the stand that may be done later in the session. The the present 12 inch gun is the most ser-Senate will vote on the measure next viceable weapon. Ten 12 inch guns, 45 calibres in length, will comprise the A spirited debate took place in the House main batteries of the Dreadnoughts Florida, now building. It is proposed, however, to use 12 inch guns 50 calibres in length on the 26,000 ton battleships authorized by the present Congress. The 14 inch gun will cost about \$100,000. It will be either 40 or 45 calibres in length vocates of the amendment that negroes It will be either 40 or 45 calibres in length and will throw a projectile weighing

R. T. LINCOLN STANDS ALOOF Son of the War President Will Not John Public Exercises.

CRICAGO, Feb. 5 .- Robert Todd Lincoln, son of Abraham Lincoln, announced

widespread character of the observance gratified him.

His own family, he explained, would observe the day as it had always ob-

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CALIFORNIA'S ACTION CAUSE FOR GENUINE ALARM.

President Feels Ground Slipping From Under His Feet" in Effort to Prevent Offence to Friendly Nation, Says Speaker of the State Assembly.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 5 .-- That relations between Japan and the United States have been seriously jeopardized by the passage of the bill aimed at Japanese school children by the Assembly yesterday was the intimation made by Speaker Stanton on the floor of the Assembly to-

The Speaker declared when he had left the chair to take part in the debate to postpone action on the motion to reconsider that it was only the extreme gravity of the situation that induced him to take the floor He said: "A crisis has arrived and therefore I

ask you to delay action. I wish I could tell you something I know, but my lips are sealed. Perhaps by Wednesday the Governor or myself may be able to tell you more."

After this statement the Assembly decided to delay the entire matter until next Wednesday.

After adjournment the Speaker told some of his friends that the President felt the ground slipping from under his feet, that California was likely to force serious complications with a friendly Power.

The Governor is so impressed with the gravity of the situation that he will make a trip to San Francisco to-morrow to hold a conference with the editors of the leading papers in order to induce them to apply pressure. There is reason to fear that the Senate may follow the course of the Assembly and pass the obnoxious measure. Much bitterness has marked the starting rail the rear rudder broke all the debates on the Japanese questions,

showing that feeling is deep and strong. It might be well to call attention to the fact that the bill passed yesterday only adds two words to the present law. It adds "Japanese" to the classes for whom special schools may be established. The law does not bar Japanese from public schools. It simply empowers school boards to establish separate schools anese children, and provides that when such separate schools have been established these children shall not attend

other schools. Specker Stanton's remarks followed the reading of a special message that Gov. Gillett had sent to the Legislature urging that the vote by which the anti-Japanese school bill had been passed be reconsidered. It was feared that if immediate reconsideration was given the bill would win again, so a motion was made to postpone action till next Wednesday. After Speaker Stanton's remarks no one seemed willing to precipitate a contest and motion to postpone was unanimously The message of Gov. Gillett adopted.

begins as follows: "Believing that there should be a further and more careful consideration of Assembly Eill 14, which provides that boards of school trustees shall have the power to establish separate schools for children of Japanese and that thereafter they shall not be admitted to any other public school, and further believing that the enactment of the provisions of the bill will affect at this time the in erests of the entire nation perhaps seriously, I most respectfully request you to reconsider the vote by which the said bill was passed and take the matter up for further and most careful considera-

Within a few hours after the passag of said bill the President of the United States, alarmed at the possible consequences of the enactment of such a law. sent to me a telegram containing the following language.

" 'This is the most offensive bill of all, and in my judgment is clearly unconstitutional, and we shall at once have to test it in the courts. Can it not be stopped in the Legislature or by veto?' "A telegram so forcible as this coming

from the President of the United States is entitled to full consideration and demands that no hasty or ill considered action be taken by this State which may BUILDING A 14 INCH GUN, involve the whole country. "It seems to me it is time to lay sentiment and personal opinion and other considerations aside and take a broad and

unprejudiced view of the important tional amendment providing for State- tion of a 14 inch gun has been begun at questions involved in the proposed legislation. It is time in a calm and dispassionate manner to pass upon them, keeping in mind not only the interests of our State but those of the nation as well and the duty we owe to it in observing the treaties entered into by it with a friendly Power." The Governor reviews the old school

controversy, showing that the United States Government has conceded that contention of Japan that Japanese children are entitled to the same rights in the public schools as are enjoyed by children of other nationalities. He refers to the settlement of the San Francisco school controversy and then says: "Every one supposed that this vexed question was settled. In fact the people of the State had about forgotten it and were no longer paying much attention to it until the bill in question was introduced in the Assembly.

"There has been no general demand for such legislation, there is no immediate or present danger to our schools and no bad influence exists therein by reason of to-day that he would not participate in any of the public celebrations of the centennial of his father's birth.

He said he had been importuned for months by newspapers and magazines to submit to interviews concerning his father, but that he had declined. He did not think it meet, he said, for him to take part in any public celebration, though the widespread character of the observance gratified him.

The Governor quotes the treaty provisions guaranteeing to Japan the and privileges of the most favored nations He points out that the children of all European nations have the privilege of attending the public schools of fornia and that a State law makes com